

United States Department of Agriculture  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
4700 River Road  
Riverdale, MD 20737

## Permit to Move Live Plant Pests, Noxious Weeds, and Soil

Importation  
Regulated by 7 CFR 330

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<b>PERMITTEE NAME:</b>	Mr. Howard Maltby	<b>PERMIT NUMBER:</b>	P526P-18-02581
<b>ORGANIZATION:</b>	Biotactics, Incorporated	<b>APPLICATION NUMBER:</b>	P526-180612-014
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	25139 Briggs Road Menifee, CA 92585	<b>FACILITY NUMBER:</b>	N/A
<b>MAILING ADDRESS:</b>	4383 Wilson Avenue San Diego, CA 92104	<b>HAND CARRY:</b>	No
<b>PHONE:</b>	951-943-2819	<b>DATE ISSUED:</b>	06/29/2018
<b>FAX:</b>	951-852-6063	<b>EXPIRES:</b>	<b>06/29/2021</b>
<b>DESTINATION:</b>	Biotactics, Incorporated, 25139 Briggs Road , Menifee, CA 92585		
<b>DESIGNATED PORTS:</b>	CA, El Segundo; CA, San Diego; GA, Atlanta; NY, Jamaica		

Under the conditions specified, this permit authorizes the following:

<u>Regulated Article</u>	<u>Life Stage(s)</u>	<u>Intended Use</u>	<u>Shipment Origins</u>	<u>Originally Collected</u>	<u>Culture Designation</u>
Phytoseiulus persimilis	Adult, Egg, Larvae, Nymph	Commercial Resale - For breeding and sale	Kenya	Originally Collected from Outside North America	

### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO INSPECTORS

See permit conditions below

#### DHS CBP INSPECTORS - SHIPMENT BY BONDED CARRIER

- 1) Confirm that the carrier of the shipment imported under this USDA PPQ 526 permit is commercially bonded.
- 2) Confirm that the imported shipment has a valid USDA PPQ Form 599 Red/White label attached to the exterior for routing to a USDA APHIS PPQ Inspection Station or other "Designated Port" as stated on the Permit. A valid label will have the permit number, expiration date, label number, and address of a USDA APHIS PPQ Plant Inspection Station/Designated Port. PLEASE NOTE: In the event of a shipment of bulk container with discrete units, a single PPQ Form 599 Red/White label may be used.
- 3) Validate the permit in ePermits using the CBP search feature.
- 4) If a valid PPQ Form 599 Red/White label is not attached to the exterior of the package or the label has been covered or is otherwise not legible, then forward to the nearest USDA APHIS PPQ Plant Inspection Station.

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5) If the address on the airway bill does not match the address on the PPQ Form 599 Red/White label then forward the package to the nearest USDA APHIS PPQ Plant Inspection Station/designated port shown on the PPQ Form 599 label. All costs associated with rerouting misaddressed packages will be assumed by the permit holder.

**APHIS PPQ INSPECTORS at PIS - Low Risk**

Follow the instructions in the Plant Inspection Station Manual for Low Risk Organisms - Arthropods or Microbials Red and White Labeled Packages (may be opened outside a biosafety cabinet; see procedures for handling on page 3-7-42). For questions or concerns, contact USDA APHIS PPQ in Riverdale, MD, at 301-851-2046, toll free 866-524-5421.

**PERMIT GUIDANCE**

- 1) Receipt or use of foreign isolates or samples from countries under sanctions requires specific permission from the U.S. Department of Treasury; please refer to <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Pages/Programs.aspx>
- 2) This permit does not authorize importation or interstate movement of strains of genetically engineered regulated organisms (created by the use of recombinant DNA technology) or their use outside of a confined laboratory setting.
- 3) If an animal pathogen is identified in your shipment, to ensure appropriate safeguarding, please refer to [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import\\_export/animals/animal\\_import/animal\\_imports\\_anproducts.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_imports_anproducts.shtml)
- 4) If a human pathogen is identified, please refer to the CDC Etiologic Agent Import Permit Program at <http://www.cdc.gov/od/eaipp/>
- 5) This permit does not fulfill the requirements of other federal or state regulatory authorities. Please contact the appropriate agencies, such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the APHIS Veterinary Services unit, the APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services, or your State's Department of Agriculture to ensure proper permitting.
- 6) If you are considering renewal of this permit, an application should be submitted at least 90 days prior to the expiration date of this permit to ensure continued coverage. Permits requiring containment facilities may take a longer period of time to process.

**PERMIT CONDITIONS**

USDA-APHIS issues this permit to Howard Maltby, Biotactics, Inc., 25139 Briggs Rd., Menifee, CA 92585. This permit authorizes the importation of *Phytoseiulus persimilis* from laboratory colonies in Nakuru, Kenya to the permit holder, Howard Maltby, Biotactics, Inc. This permit also authorizes the interstate movement of *Phytoseiulus persimilis* from Biotactics, Inc., 25139 Briggs Rd., Menifee, CA 92585 to destinations in the continental United States (excludes Hawaii, territories and possessions of the United States) for release into the environment without additional APHIS PPQ permit.

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1.
  - This permit is issued by the United States Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). It conveys APHIS regulations and requirements for the material(s) listed on this permit. It does not reduce or eliminate your legal duty and responsibility to comply with all other applicable Federal and State regulatory requirements.
  - The permit number or a copy of the permit must accompany the shipment.
  - You must be an individual at least 18 years old, or legal entity such as partnership, corporation, association, or joint venture.
  - You are legally responsible for complying with all permit requirements and permit conditions.
  - The regulated material and shipping container(s) are subject to inspection by officials of Custom and Border Protection (CBP) and APHIS. CBP or APHIS officials may require the shipment to be treated, seized, re-exported, or destroyed (in part or whole). You will be responsible for expenses.
  - If you violate any applicable laws associated with this permit, you may face substantial civil or criminal penalties. We may cancel all current permits and deny future permit applications.
  - Without prior notice and during reasonable hours, authorized Federal and State Regulators must be allowed to inspect the conditions associated with the regulated materials/organisms authorized under this permit.
2. The permit holder must:
  - maintain a valid PPQ526 permit so long as the regulated materials/organisms are received, handled, and released,
  - take appropriate precautions to release regulated materials/organisms only at intended release sites,
  - not assign or transfer this permit to other persons without APHIS PPQ authorization,
  - maintain an official permanent work assignment, residence, or affiliation at the address on this permit,
  - notify the Pest Permit Staff as soon as possible of any change in the permit holder's work

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assignment, residence, or affiliation,

- notify the Pest Permit Staff of the receipt of unauthorized and/or misdirected shipments of regulated materials/organisms.

Notifications to the Pest Permit Staff must be made via 866-524-5421 or [pest.permits@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:pest.permits@aphis.usda.gov) within one business day of the event triggering a notification.

3. All packages for transport must minimally consist of both inner/primary and outer/secondary packages securely sealed so that both are effective barriers to escape or unauthorized dissemination of the listed materials/organisms. The inner/primary package(s) will contain all regulated materials/organisms and must be cushioned and sealed in such a way that it remains sealed during shock, impact, and pressure changes that may occur. The outer/secondary shipping container must be rigid and strong enough to withstand typical shipping conditions (dropping, stacking, impact from other freight, etc.) without opening.

A copy of the permit must be placed with each shipment.

4. After PPQ issues this 526 permit, you will need to request Red/White labels (PPQ Form 599) at least 5 days in advance of your shipping date. If you applied for your permit online using ePermits, you may request the labels using the My Shipments/Labels feature. Otherwise, send your request to [Redandwhitelabelrequest@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:Redandwhitelabelrequest@aphis.usda.gov). All email requests must come from the permit holder or designee. If requested by the designee, the permit holder must be copied on all requests. Specify the approved port as listed on the permit and the total number of labels needed. You may request additional labels the same way.

Packages without labels on the exterior may be refused entry.

Review label instructions at:


[https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/planthealth/import-information/permits/regulated-organism-and-soil-permits/ct\\_organisms-shipping-requirements](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/planthealth/import-information/permits/regulated-organism-and-soil-permits/ct_organisms-shipping-requirements).

You are responsible for instructing your shipper to carefully follow these instructions. You are responsible for each import shipping label issued under this permit.

5. The Permit holder must ensure that only pure cultures of the species authorized by this permit are imported, including the following allowances. Other species and hosts and substrate authorized to be included in the same containers as the Regulated Articles are:

- a) dead and/or parasitized (mummified) host material;
- b) prey mites and insects for predatory mites and insect species when the prey species are also listed as a Regulated Article above and are identified on the containers;

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- c) plant substrate material as needed when pupae, cocoons and other stages of the permitted organisms are attached, OR prey items are attached.
  - d) prey mites and insects for predatory mites and insect species must be in the same individual containers with the predatory species: Separate containers of live prey mites and insects are NOT authorized by this permit.
  - e) packaged with approved packing materials as listed in 7 CFR 319.37-9, when used.
6. This importation authorization is restricted to only those organisms listed under "Regulated Articles" from the country/ies specified above. No other species/subspecies/varieties are authorized, and Importation directly from other countries other than those specified above is not authorized.
7. The permit holder must ensure that the source (production) of all imported material are only from facilities identified in the application and documents submitted with the application for this permit.
8. The permit holder is authorized to move regulated articles received under this permit to interstate destinations in the continental United States, for release into the environment without additional permit. These interstate destinations exclude Hawaii, territories and possessions of the United States. Those interstate destinations require a separate PPQ 526 permit.

**END OF PERMIT CONDITIONS**

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